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# **B. COLLECTION OF INFORMATION EMPLOYING STATISTICAL METHODS**

This section describes the target universe for this study and the sampling and statistical methodologies proposed for the HSLS:09 2013 Update and transcript main study collection. Part B also addresses suggested methods for maximizing response rates, for testing procedures and methods, and introduces the technical staff responsible for design and administration of the study.

# **B.1** Target Universe and Sampling Frames

The base-year target populations for HSLS:09 consisted of (1) public and private schools within the U.S. providing instruction to 9th- and 11th-grade students, and (2) the 9th graders attending these schools in the fall semester of 2009. As with the first follow-up study, the target population for the HSLS:09 2013 Update and transcript study is the same as specified in the base year.

# **B.2** Statistical Procedures for Collecting Information

## B.2.a School Sample

A total of 2,761 schools will be contacted for transcript collection in the fall of 2013. This includes all of the 939 base-year participating high schools (this number differs from the 944 originally collected in the base year because of school closures and merges with other schools since 2009), and 1,822 other schools attended by students during the HSLS:09 first follow-up. Any additional schools identified during the 2013 Update main study will also be included in the transcript collection effort.

## **B.2.b** Student Sample

Students who withdrew from the study, were deceased, were determined study ineligible, were identified as questionnaire-incapable (QI) during the first follow-up study after being a nonrespondent or QI in the base year, or participated in neither the base-year data collection nor first follow-up data collections (n=2,890) will be excluded from both the 2013 Update and transcript data collections. Therefore, of the 26,305 cohort members initially selected for the HSLS:09 study, the 2013 Update will field a sample of 23,415 cohort members (89 percent of the original base year sample). All 23,415 participants will be contacted for the 2013 Update study. Either the student or the parent can complete the questionnaire. The associated high school record for each member will be collected, keyed, and coded as part of the HSLS:09 transcript study.

#### B.2.c Weighting

Analysis weights along with survey data are used to produce population estimates. The weights reflect the inclusion probabilities for the sampled units (i.e., base weights generated in the base year study) and adjustments to lower (1) unit nonresponse bias, (2) undercoverage bias, and (3) the variability

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of the resulting weights. Analysis weights will be produced for the HSLS:09 2013 Update and transcript main studies.

The HSLS:09 longitudinal, multistage design introduces significant complexity to the task of weighting. Two sets of longitudinal weights are anticipated for the analysis of the cumulative HSLS:09 data: one set to reflect response to either the base-year or first follow-up rounds *and* the 2013 Update; and one set to reflect response to either the base-year or first follow-up rounds *and* receipt of high school transcript information.

The HSLS:09 weighting process includes four major steps. Using the base weights created during the HSLS:09 base-year study, an adjustment will be applied for nonresponse to the base-year *and* first follow-up main studies to account for those excluded from the 2013 Update and transcript studies. In the second step, base weights will be adjusted for nonresponse in the 2013 Update study. The third step will include a calibration adjustment to the sum of the base-year analysis weights to ensure coverage of the 9th-grade target population. Finally, weights constructed after each adjustment will go through an extensive series of quality control (QC) checks to prevent any computational or procedural errors, and to detect extreme outliers that can decrease the precision in the population estimates. These include review of program logs, verification of weight sums before and after adjustments are applied to the weights, and verification of the final weight sums against weight sums from the HSLS:09 first follow-up. Design effects for a set of important survey estimates will be calculated and reviewed for extreme values, thus creating an iterative process until the final set of efficient weights is produced.

In addition to analyzing design effects, unit bias analyses will be conducted to determine whether additional variables not already included in the nonresponse models should be investigated. Statistical tests will be conducted on a variety of questionnaire items. If non-negligible levels of bias remain, the nonresponse and calibration adjustments will be revisited with the goal of lowering the bias. To estimate bias for a generic population parameter  $\theta$ , we will calculate the following quantity for a set of variables known for both respondents and nonrespondents:

$$\hat{B}(\hat{\theta}_{R}) = \hat{\theta}_{R} - \hat{\theta}$$

where  $\hat{\theta}_R$  is the estimated parameter using only the respondent data, and  $\hat{\theta} = (1 - \hat{\eta}) \hat{\theta}_R + \hat{\eta} \hat{\theta}_{NR}$ , the estimated parameter using both the respondent ( $\hat{\theta}_R$ ) and nonrespondent ( $\hat{\theta}_{NR}$ ) data and the weighted nonresponse rate  $\hat{\eta}$ . Candidate variables known for all sample cases include those from the original sampling frame as well as survey data collected in a previous rounds of HSLS:09.

All HSLS:09 weight adjustments—including nonresponse and calibration—will be calculated with a design-based model using the WTADJUST procedure in SUDAAN<sup>®</sup>, statistical software with built-in controls on extreme values. Model variables will be identified as being associated with a set of key analysis variables as well as the differential pattern of unit nonresponse. Classification procedures such as regression tree analysis will be used to identify these variables from a candidate list that includes stratification variables and data collected from previous rounds of HSLS:09.

# **B.2.d** Imputation of Missing Data

Imputation of missing values in the 2013 Update main study will be performed for items commonly used to define analysis domains, items that are frequently used in cross-tabulations, and items needed for weighting. Categorical HSLS:09 items that are subject to imputation will be imputed using logical imputation<sup>1</sup> where applicable, followed by a weighted sequential hot deck procedure.<sup>2</sup> By incorporating the sampling weights, this method of imputation takes into account the unequal probabilities of selection in the original sample while controlling the expected number of times a particular respondent's answer will be used as a donor. Variables that are statistically associated with either the item being imputed, or the specific pattern of item nonresponse for the item being imputed will be used to form the imputation classes. Statistical tests such as logistic regression and regression tree analysis will be used to determine significant associations. Candidate variables for the imputation classes will be drawn from the current survey as well as information collected in the previous rounds of HSLS:09.

# **B.2.e** Variance Estimation

Sets of 200 balanced repeated replication (BRR) weights will be created for the 2013 Update and transcript samples to produce variance estimates. This number is consistent with the number of replicates used for the HSLS:09 base year. The BRR weighting process will replicate the procedures used to generate the full sample weight (section B.2.c) and will follow the steps successfully implemented on a number of studies, including ELS:2002 (http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/els2002/), the National Study of Postsecondary Faculty (NSOPF, http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/nsopf/), and previous rounds of HSLS:09 (http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/nsopf/), and previous rounds of HSLS:09 (http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/nsopf/), and previous rounds of HSLS:09 (http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/nsopf/), and previous rounds of HSLS:09 (http://nces.ed.gov/surveys/hsls09). In addition, analysis strata and primary sampling units (PSUs) created from the sampling PSUs will be included on the electronic code book for analysts wanting to use Taylor series variance estimation rather than BRR weights.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> One commonly used example of logical imputation is assigning gender based on name.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Iannacchione, V.G. (1982). "Weighted Sequential Hot Deck Imputation Macros." *In Proceedings of the Seventh Annual SAS User's Group International Conference* (pp.759–763). Cary, NC: SAS Institute, Inc.

# **B.3** Methods for Maximizing Response Rates

Procedures for maximizing response rates are based on successful experiences with prior rounds of HSLS:09 and with other education studies. In this section, methods for maximizing response rates for the 2013 Update interview and the high school transcript collection are discussed.

# B.3.a 2013 Update

The objective of the HSLS:09 2013 Update is to gather information about students' plans following high school. The data collection period begins on June 1, 2013, when most students have recently graduated or are about to graduate from high school, and continues through October as they embark on their post high school endeavors. Because the study will occur during a time of high student mobility, the questionnaire has been designed to allow for completion by either a student or a parent. A number of methods will be implemented to locate sample members and gain cooperation to maximize response in the HSLS:09 2013 Update.

**Locating sample members.** A multi-stage locating approach will be implemented to find and collect current contact information for the HSLS:09 sample. The stages of the proposed locating approach are:

- A Panel Maintenance Update prior to the 2013 Update collection is proposed to inform sample members that the next update will begin in June 2013. The mailing will include information for the sample member to log into the study website and update contact information. A hardcopy form will be provided along with a business reply envelope to provide sample members with the option of providing updated contact information in hardcopy form. The panel maintenance mailing will be sent directly to the student if he/she is aged 18 or older, and to the parents if the student is under age 18. This mailing will be sent immediately upon receipt of OMB approval for the 2013 Update and Transcript collection.
- Advance Tracing includes batch database searches, contact information updates, and advance intensive tracing conducted as necessary.
- **Telephone Locating and Interviewing** includes calling all available telephone numbers and following up on leads provided by parents and other contacts.
- Pre-Intensive Batch Tracing consists of the Premium Phone searches that will be conducted between the telephone locating and interviewing stage and the intensive tracing stage.

• **Intensive Tracing** consists of tracers checking all telephone numbers and conducting credit bureau database searches after all current telephone numbers have been exhausted.

Tracing steps will include gathering information for locating both the parent and student, and will be conducted in the listed order. Since the most cost effective steps are first, this plan will result in locating the maximum number of sample members with the least expense.

**Gaining Cooperation.** Though the information collected for the 2013 Update specifically relates to the student sample member, the 2013 Update questionnaire can be completed by either the student or the parent. Allowing the parent or the student to provide information will result in a higher response rate than would otherwise be achieved with a student-only response restriction. Students and parents will have the option to complete the interview online or on the telephone.

To mitigate challenges experienced in the field test with achieving high response in the early data collection phase, we proposed to begin data collection two weeks earlier to maximize early response rate before students disperse for the summer. Materials will be mailed to both students and parents. Since the vast majority of students will be at least 18 years of age at the time of the 2013 Update data collection, separate materials will be sent directly to students and to parents. For students who are not yet 18 years old, parent permission must be received before contacting the student or allowing the student to participate. As was the protocol for the First Follow-up data collection, the parent mailing will include a sealed student letter when parent permission is required. Parents will also be allowed to provide their permission online or during an outbound computer assisted telephone interview (CATI) call. Once parent permission is obtained, subsequent reminder mailings will be sent directly to the student.

Students and parents will receive a description of the study, a note stating the importance of the 2013 Update, and log-in credentials. Each letter will supply a telephone number to complete a CATI interview or get assistance with the self-administered web questionnaire. Parent letters will also request that they encourage their young adult to participate in the 2013 Update, though both letters will mention that either the student or a parent can complete the questionnaire. Regardless of student's age, the student letters will provide the same information as the parent letters, albeit with different log-in credentials.

Telephone interviewers will be trained using best practices for gaining cooperation from sample members and interviewing sample members. Training will also focus on the background and purpose of HSLS:09 and the questionnaire. A training manual will be provided and referenced throughout training and data collection. Training exercises, mock interviews, and other training aids will be used during the training session.

The incentive plans for the HSLS:09 2013 Update to be described in detail in section A.9 (Explanation of Payment or Gift to Respondents), on which we are working in consultation with OMB and will submit at a later date, will complement the approaches described in this section to maximize participation of sample members.

#### **B.3.b** Transcripts

Transcript data will be requested for students who participated (or were questionnaire-incapable) in either of the in-school rounds of HSLS:09 from all schools attended since the 2009-10 academic year. A complete transcript from the school will be requested as well as complete transcripts from transfer schools that the students attended, as applicable. Since the success of the transcript collection is closely tied to the active participation of selected schools, the consent and cooperation of the school's coordinator is essential and helps to encourage the timely completion of the transcript collection. If the HSLS:09 coordinators have been involved with the in-school collection, they will be familiar with HSLS:09 and recognize the study's importance. Procedures for working with schools will build upon the rapport developed with schools in the HSLS:09 base year and first follow-up and will be based on successful past procedures. Institutional contactors will use the HSLS:09 Institutional Contacting System (ICS) which will contain information from ongoing communications since the base-year recruitment.

The descriptive materials sent to schools will be clear, concise, and informative about the purpose of the study and the nature of subsequent requests and will include letters from RTI and NCES and instructions for how to log on to the study's secure website and access information and tools for providing transcripts. Follow-up calls will be made to ensure receipt of the request packet and answer any questions about the study. It is likely that telephone prompting will be required to obtain the desired number of transcripts in addition to e-mail prompts, letters, and postcard prompts.

A seasoned team of Institutional Contactors (ICs) will be assigned responsibility for a set of schools throughout the transcript collection process, which enable Institutional Contactors to build and maintain rapport with school staff and to provide a reliable point of contact at RTI. Institutional Contactors will be thoroughly trained in transcript collection and in the purposes and requirements of the study, which helps them establish credibility with the school staff.

Different options for collecting transcripts for sampled students are offered. Data security procedures for each method of transcript collection are addressed in the HSLS:09 Data Security Plan. The school coordinator is invited to select the method of greatest convenience to the school. School staff will have the option to provide transcript data by: 1) uploading electronic transcripts for sampled students to the secure study website; 2) sending electronic transcripts for sampled students by secure File Transfer

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Protocol; 3) sending electronic transcripts as encrypted attachments via email; 4) for schools that already use this method, RTI requesting/collecting electronic transcripts via a dedicated server at the University of Texas at Austin; 5) transmitting transcripts via a secure electronic fax at RTI, after sending a confirmed test page; and as a last resort 6) sending transcripts via an express delivery service after redacting personally identifying information. The majority of schools will likely fax the data, followed closely by those schools that will use FedEx. The numbers will be small for the other modes, but the plan is to set up multiple means to accept the data if the school is willing and able to use the more sophisticated electronic modes. More options promote the likelihood of more timely response. For reference, the recent B&B/BPS Postsecondary Education Transcript Study (PETS) found 66% of the data arrived via fax from colleges. The percentage could be even higher with high school transcripts.

**Consent Procedures**. Privacy and consent concerns may arise in the collection of high school transcripts. ICs requesting transcripts will be familiar with the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (FERPA), which permits schools to release student data to the U.S. Department of Education and its authorized agents without consent, and will be prepared to respond to concerns raised by high school staff. If the school requires student consent to release the transcripts, RTI will prepare and mail consent forms to the students (or parents if the student is known to be under age 18). RTI will request that the school provide a letter of support that will be sent along with the consent form to help legitimize the request. Sample text will be provided to the school to facilitate the collection of this letter prior to mailing consent forms to the young adult. Consent forms should be returned directly to RTI, where the consent forms will be packaged and sent to the school with a second request for transcripts. Telephone prompting will be conducted as needed to remind students and parents to send consent forms to RTI. During the field test, the prevalence of schools requiring implied or explicit consent and the rate of return will be evaluated so that procedures may be refined for the main study. During the ELS:2002 high school transcript collection, 5 percent of the schools required explicit consent (i.e., signed consent form) to release transcripts.

In compliance with FERPA, a notation will be made in the student record that the transcript has been collected for use in HSLS:09.

# B.3.c Panel Maintenance Prior to Second Follow-up

A panel maintenance mailing is proposed to collect updated contact information prior to the second follow-up collection scheduled to take place in early 2016. Three years will transpire between the most recent update and the second follow-up (2012 to 2015 for the field test and 2013 to 2016 for the main study). Sample members and their parents will receive the panel maintenance mailings. The panel maintenance update would take place at the mid-point between the two collections, occurring in late 2013 for the field test and late 2014 for the main study.

Our proposal for the panel maintenance activities prior to the second follow-up are being worked on in consultation with OMB and will be submitted at a later date.

# **B.4** Test of procedures and methods

The 2013 Update responsive design plans are being worked on in consultation with OMB and will be submitted at a later date.

#### **B.5** Study Contacts

Elise Christopher and Jeff Owings are the primary contacts for the HSLS:09 study at NCES. The RTI contractor-affiliated consultants on statistical aspects of HSLS:09 are: James Chromy, Steven J. Ingels, Jill A. Dever, Daniel J. Pratt, John Riccobono, and David Wilson.

# Part C: 2013 Update Questionnaire - Justifications

Item	Source	Status	Old Wording (if revised)	New Item Wording	Justification
CUHSCRED / CUHSCRED TYPE	2012 Update Question 1	Revise d	[Have/Has] [you/teenager] earned a regular high school diploma, GED, or other high school credential? 1=Yes, a high school diploma 2=Yes, a GED or other high school credential 3=No	[Have/Has] [you/your teenager] earned a high school diploma, GED or equivalency, or a certificate of attendance? 1=Yes 0=No What type of high school credential [have/has] [you/he/she] earned? 1=High school diploma 2=GED or equivalency 3=Certificate of attendance	Split questions because first question is phrased as a yes/no question. Removed "regular" qualifier on "high school diploma" to avoid confusion for the majority of respondents. Added certificate of attendance as an explicit response option for comprehensiveness. Added help text
CUHSCRED DATE	2012 Update Question 3	Revise d	In what month and year did [you/he/she] receive [your/his/her] [high school diploma/GED or other high school credential]?	In what month and year did [you/he/she] receive [your/his/her] [high school diploma/GED or equivalency/certificate of attendance]?	Added wording for those with a certificate of attendance.
CUHSPLAN	ELS:2002 F2A09	Added	Not Asked	[Do/Does] [you/he/she] plan to get a GED, high school diploma, or certificate of attendance? 1=Yes 0=No	Added to fill a gap in content.
CUHSCRED PLAN	Based on CUHSCREDT YPE	Added	Not Asked	What type of high school credential [do/does] [you/he/she] plan to earn? 1=High school diploma 2=GED or equivalency 3=Certificate of attendance	Added to fill a gap in content.
CUHSCOMP	ELS:2002 F2A10	Added	Not Asked	About what month and year [do/does] [you/he/she] expect to [receive a high school diploma/ receive a certificate of attendance/take the examination for the GED or other high school equivalency exam/receive a high school diploma or certificate of attendance or to take the examination for the GED or other high school equivalency exam]?	Added to fill a gap in content.

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CULASTHS NAME	2012 Update Question 5	Revise d	What is the full name, city, and state of the high school [from which [you/he/she] received a diploma]/ [you/he/she] last attended]? (Do not enter abbreviations.)	What is the full name, city, and state of the high school [from which [you/he/she] received a diploma]/ [you/he/she] last attended/ [you/he/she] is currently attending]? (Do not enter abbreviations.)	Added wording for those who are enrolled in high school at the time of survey administration.
CUOTHHS	2012 Update Question 6	Revise d	[So far we know that [you/teenager] [have/has] attended these high schools since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2008: [LAST HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED NAMED IN CULASTHSNAME] [FIRST FOLLOW-UP HIGH SCHOOL] [BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]	[So far we know that [you/your teenager] [have/has] attended these high schools since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009: [LAST HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED NAMED IN CULASTHSNAME] [FIRST FOLLOW-UP HIGH SCHOOL] [BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]	Added "since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009" for clarity.
			[Have/Has] [you/teenager] attended any other high school besides [BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]/these]?	[Have/Has] [you/your teenager] attended any other high school besides [[BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]/these] since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009? 1=Yes 0=No	
CUOTHERH S	2012 Update Question 6	Revise d	[So far we know that [you/teenager] [have/has] attended these high schools since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2008: [OTHER HIGH SCHOOLS NAMED IN CUOTHHSNAME] [LAST HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED NAMED IN CULASTHSNAME] [FIRST FOLLOW-UP HIGH SCHOOL] [BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]	[So far we know that [you/your teenager] [have/has] attended these high schools since [you/he/she] [were/was]a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009: [OTHER HIGH SCHOOLS NAMED IN CUOTHHSNAME] [LAST HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED NAMED IN CULASTHSNAME] [FIRST FOLLOW-UP HIGH SCHOOL] [BASE YEAR HIGH SCHOOL]	Added "since [you/he/she] [were/was] a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009" for clarity.
			[Have/Has] [you/your teenager] attended any other high school besides these? 1=Yes 0=No	[Have/Has] [you/your teenager] attended any other high school besides these since [you/he/she] [were/was]a 9th-grader in the fall of 2009? 1=Yes 0=No	

Item	Source	Status	Old Wording (if revised)	New Item Wording	Justification
CUANYCLG CRED	Based on 2012 Update Question 7	Added	Not Asked	[Did/[Have/Has]] [you/your teenager] [take/taken] any high school courses for college credit [when [you/he/she] [were/was] in high school] including AP courses, IB courses, and other courses for college credit? [Include any courses that [you/he/she] [is/are] taking now.] 1=Yes 0=No	On advice from TRP, expanded this series of questions about courses for college credit to include AP and IB courses. Previously, only dual enrollment courses were captured.
CUCLGCRE DTYPE	NPSAS draft question N12AP1	Added	Not Asked	Which of the following types of courses for college credit [did/have/has] [you/your teenager] [take/taken] [when [you/he/she] [were/was] in high school]?Advanced Placement (AP) courses International Baccalaureate (IB) courses Any other course for college credit such as dual or concurrent enrollment courses 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Expanded to include AP and IB based on TRP recommendation.
CUAPSUBJ	Based on 2012 Update question 7	Added	Not Asked	In which of the following subjects [did/have/has] [you/your teenager] [take/taken] AP courses? Math Science Another subject 1=Yes 0=No	Expanded to include AP and IB based on TRP recommendation.
CUIBSUBJ	Based on 2012 Update question 7	Added	Not Asked	In which of the following subjects [did/have/has] [you/your teenager] [take/taken] IB courses? Math Science Another subject 1=Yes 0=No	Expanded to include AP and IB based on TRP recommendation.

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CUDUALSU BJ	2012 Update Question 7	Revise d	Not including AP (Advanced Placement) and IB (International Baccalaureate) courses, [did/ [have/has] [you/teenager] [take/taken] any high school courses for college credit [when [you/he/she] [were/was] in high school]? [Include any courses for college credit that [you/he/she] [are/is] taking now.] Math course Science course Another course 1=Yes 0=No	In which of the following subjects [did/have/has] [you/your teenager] [take/taken] courses for college credit other than AP and IB? Math Science Another subject 1=Yes 0=No	Question rephrased given that it is already known that the dual enrollment courses have been taken.
CUHSCOUN SEL	2012 Update Question 43	Revise d	How well have [your/your teenager's] high school counselors prepared [you/him/her] for each of the following? To gain admission to a college or university To apply for financial aid To find a job 1=Extremely well 2=Somewhat well 3=Not well 4=Not at all 5=Don't know	Did [you/your teenager] meet one-on-one with a high school counselor in the 2012 – 2013 school year about gaining admission to a college or university applying for financial aid finding a job 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Based on TRP recommendation, revised to collect more factual information that parents could answer more accurately.
CUCLGINFL U	HSLS First Follow-up S2CLGINFLU	Added	Not Asked	Who has had the most influence on [your/your teenager's] thinking about education after high school, if anyone? 1=A high school counselor 2=A counselor hired by your family to help [you/your teenager] prepare for college admission 3=A teacher 4=[Your/His/Her] parents 5=Another family member 6=[Your/His/Her] friends 7=[Your/His/Her] friends 7=[Your/His/Her] employer 8=A military recruiter 9=A coach or scout 10=[Yourself/Himself/Herself] 11=No one in particular 12=Don't know	Added to fill gap in content.

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CUAIDINFL	Based on	Added	Not Asked	Who has had the most influence on	Added to fill gap in content.
U	HSLS First			[your/your teenager's] thinking about	Recommended by TRP.
	Follow-up			financial aid, if anyone?	
	S2CLGINFLU			1=A high school counselor	
	and			2=A counselor hired by your family to	
	S2CAREERIN			help [you/your teenager] prepare for	
	FLU			college admission	
				3=A teacher	
				4=[Your/His/Her] parents	
				5=Another family member	
				6=[Your/His/Her] friends	
				7=[Your/His/Her] employer	
				8=A military recruiter	
				9=A coach or scout	
				10=[Yourself/Himself/Herself]	
				11=No one in particular	
				12=Don't know	
CUCAREERI	HSLS First	Added	Not Asked	Who has had the most influence on	Added to fill gap in content.
NFLU	Follow-up			[your/your teenager's] thinking about	
	S2CAREERIN			careers, if anyone?	
	FLU			1=A high school counselor	
				3=A teacher	
				4=[Your/His/Her] parents	
				5=Another family member	
				6=[Your/His/Her] friends	
				7=[Your/His/Her] employer	
				8=A military recruiter	
				9=A coach or scout	
				10=[Yourself/Himself/Herself]	
				11=No one in particular	
				12=Don't know	

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CUFALL201	2012 Update	Revise	Which of the following activities [are/is]	Which of the following activities will	Based on TRP
3	Question 8	d	[you/teenager] doing this fall?	[you/your teenager] be doing on or around	recommendation, revised
				November 1st?	wording to refer to "on or
			Taking classes at a college or university		around November 1 <sup>st</sup> ". This
				Taking classes from a college,	allows all question wording
			Taking classes at a school that provides	university, community college, trade	to be in the future tense.
			occupational training (e.g., cosmetology	school or other occupational school	Combined the first two
			school or a school of culinary arts)	(such as a cosmetology school or school	options into one and added
				of culinary arts)	"community college" and
			Studying for an industry certification or		"trade school" for
			license (e.g., Microsoft Systems	Participating in an apprenticeship	comprehensiveness.
			Engineer or real estate license)	program	
			Engineer of real courte freehoe)		Eliminated the "studying for
			Participating in an apprenticeship	Working for pay	an industry certification or
			program		license" option due to
			program	Serving in the military including ROTC	concerns about
			Another form of training (please specify)		misinterpretation and false
			rinouler form of training (preuse speeny)	Starting a family or taking care of	positives.
			Working	[your/his/her]children	
			, on ming		Eliminated "another form or
			Serving in the military	Attending high school	training" based on review of
			Serving in the mintury		other specifies.
			Starting a family or taking care of	Attending a GED completion course	
			[your/his/her] children	1=Yes	Added "for pay" to the
			[your/mo/ner] ennaren	2=No	working item for clarity.
			Attending high school	3=Don't know	
			racenang ingi sensor		Added "including ROTC" to
			Attending a GED completion course		the military item for clarity.
			1=Yes		
			2=No		Added help text
			3=Don't know		

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CUFOCUS	2012 Update	Revise	What [will be/is] [your/his/her] main focus	What will be [your/his/her] main focus?	Question has been limited to
	Question 9	d	this fall?		those who will be pursuing
			1=Taking classes at a college or	1= Taking classes from a college,	some form of education
			university	university, community college, trade	(postsecondary or high
			2=Taking classes at a school that	school or other occupational school (such	school) and working
			provides occupational training (e.g.,	as a cosmetology school or school of	(working for pay or
			cosmetology school or a school of	culinary arts)?	apprenticeship.
			culinary arts)	2=Participating in an apprenticeship	
			3=Studying for an industry certification	program	Response options now allow
			or license (e.g., Microsoft Systems	3=Working for pay	for equal emphasis.
			Engineer or real estate license)	4=Attending high school	
			4=Enrolling in an apprenticeship	5=Attending a GED completion course	Added help text
			program	6=[You/He/She] will be equally focused	
			5=Another form of training	on both	
			6=Working		
			7=Serving in the military		
			8=Starting a family or taking care of		
			[your/his/her] children		
			9=Attending high school		
			10=Attending a GED completion course		
CUCLGFT	2012 Update	Revise	[Will [you/teenager] enroll/[Are/Is]	Will [you/your teenager] be enrolled full-	Revised to refer to November
	Question 11	d	[you/teenager] enrolled] full-time or part-	time or part-time as of November 1st?	$1^{\text{st}}$ .
			time this fall?	1=Full-time	
			1=Full-time	2=Part-time	Added help text
			2=Part-time	3=Don't know	
CURRENT	2012 11 1		3=Don't know		
CUWORKFT	2012 Update	Revise	[Are/Is] [you/teenager] working full-time or	Will [you/your teenager] be working full-	Revised to refer to November
	Question 14	d	part-time this fall?	time, that is 35 hours or more per week, as	1 <sup>st</sup> .
			1=Full-time	of November 1st?	Definition of full-time
			2=Part-time	1=Full-time	employment provided in
			3=Don't know	2=Part-time	question wording for clarity.
CUMILBRA	2012 Update	Dovico	[Are/Is] [you/teenager] on active military	3=Don't know In which branch of the military will	Based on TRP
NCH	Question 15	Revise d	duty this fall?	[you/he/she] be serving as of November 1st?	recommendation, changed
		u	1=Yes	1=Army	focus of the question from
			$2=N_0$	2=Navy	active duty to branch of the
			3=Don't know	3=Air Force	military.
				4=Marine Corps	mmary.
				5=Coast Guard	
CUFALLCL	2012 Update	Revise	What is the name, city and state of the	What is the name, city and state of the	Revised to refer to November
G	Question 12	d	school or college [you/teenager] [are/is]	school or college [you/your teenager] will	1 <sup>st</sup> .
			attending this fall?	be attending as of November 1st?	

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CULEVEL	2012 Update Question 10	Revise d	<ul> <li>What type of program [will [you/teenager] enroll/ [are/is] [you/teenager] enrolled] in this fall?</li> <li>Bachelor's degree program (usually a 4- year degree)</li> <li>Associate's degree program (usually a 2- year degree) with plans to transfer to a Bachelor's degree program</li> <li>Associate's degree program (usually a 2- year degree) with no plans to transfer to a Bachelor's degree program</li> <li>Certificate or diploma program from a school that provides occupational training (usually takes 2 years or less to complete, often leading to a license, such as cosmetology)</li> <li>No specific program, but [you/he/she] [are/is] taking courses (please specify)</li> <li>You don't know 1=Yes 0=No</li> </ul>	What type of program will [you/your teenager] be enrolled in?         1=Bachelor's degree program (usually a 4-year degree)         2=Associate's degree program (usually a 2-year degree)         3=Certificate or diploma program from a school that provides occupational training (usually takes 2 years or less to complete, often leading to a license, such as cosmetology)         4=No specific program, but [you/he/she] will be taking courses         5=Other         6=You don't know	Change to future tense. Changed from multiple response format to single response format given low prevalence of multiple responses in field test. Combined Associate's degree options to simplify question. Added help text
CUBATYPE	Based on response option in N12ASSOC	Added	Not Asked	Will you complete an Associate's degree program before transferring to a Bachelor's degree program? 1=Yes 0=No	Based on response patterns and anecdotal respondent confusion, added clarifying question to verify that the respondent is entering a Bachelor's program directly.
CUAATYPE	From 2012 Update CULEVEL, based response option in N12ASSOC	Added	Not Asked	Is this an Associate's degree program designed for transfer to a Bachelor's degree program? 1=Yes 0=No	Split from CULEVEL.
CUFIELD	2012 Update Question 13	Revise d	What major or program [are/is] [you/he/she] considering?	What field of study or program will [you/he/she] be considering?	Future tense.

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CUWHEREL IVE	2012 Update Question 31	Revise d	Where [will [you/teenager] live/[are/is] [you/teenager] living] while attending school this fall? 1=On campus or in college-owned housing (for example, a dorm or residence hall) 2=With parent(s), relative(s), or guardian(s) 3=Off campus (not college-owned housing)	Where [will [you/your teenager] be living on or around November 1st? 1=On campus or in college-owned housing (for example, a dorm or residence hall) 2=With parent(s), relative(s), or guardian(s) 3=Off campus (not college-owned housing)	Revised to refer to November 1 <sup>st</sup> . Added help text
CUAPPCLG	2012 Update Question 16	Dropp ed	[Besides [fall 2012 college], [have/has] [you/teenager]/[Have/Has] [you/teenager]] applied to any [other] schools that provide occupational training, 2-year colleges, or 4- year colleges? Include schools that register or admit all students who apply, or that don't require an application separate from registration. 1=Yes 0=No	Dropped	Eliminated based on TRP recommendation.
CUCLGAPP NUM	2012 Update Question 17	Revise d	To how many [others] did [you/he/she] apply?	[Including [Nov 1 school], how /How] many colleges or schools [have/has][you/your teenager] applied to or registered at, if any?	Revised to include the school or college the teenager will be attending. Wording revised to include schools that do not require an application.
CUCLGAPP S	2012 Update Question 18	Revise d	[Now, among these [CUCLGAPPNUM] [other] schools where [you/he/she] applied, think about the two schools that [you/he/she] most seriously considered attending.] What is the name, city and state of [the other school [you/he/she] applied to/the school [you/he/she] applied to/one of the other schools [you/he/she] applied to/one of these schools]?	[Not including [Nov 1 school], think/Think] about the two schools [you/he/she] most seriously considered.]] What is the name, city and state of [the school [you/he/she] applied to or registered at?/the other school [you/he/she] applied to or registered at?/one of the schools [you/he/she] applied to or registered at?/one of these schools?]	Given that Given that CUCLGAPPNUM now represents the total number of schools applied to including the one that the student will attend, the wording needed to be revised. Wording revised to include schools that do not require an application. Wording changed to "most seriously considered" from "most seriously considered attending."

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CUCLGAPP	2012 Update	Revise	What is the name, city and state of the other	What is the name, city and state of the other	Wording revised to include
S2	Question 18	d	school [you/he/she] [applied to/ most seriously considered attending]?	school [you/he/she] [applied to or registered at/ most seriously considered]?	schools that do not require an application.
					Wording changed to "most seriously considered" from "most seriously considered attending."
CUAPPSTAT	2012 Update	Revise	[Were/Was] [you/he/she] accepted, wait-	[Were/Was] [you/he/she] accepted, wait-	Added help text
US	Question 20	d	listed or rejected at [FIRST SCHOOL	listed or rejected at [FIRST SCHOOL	
			APPLIED TO]? (For schools that admit	APPLIED TO]? For schools that admit	
			anyone who registers, answer "accepted.")/	anyone who registers, answer "accepted." /	
			For each of the following schools, indicate if	For each of the following schools, indicate if	
			[you/he/she] [were/was] accepted, waitlisted	[you/he/she] [were/was] accepted, waitlisted	
			or rejected. (For schools that admit anyone	or rejected. For schools that admit anyone	
			who registers, answer "accepted.")/	who registers, answer "accepted." /	
			[Were/Was] [you/he/she] accepted,	[Were/Was] [you/he/she] accepted,	
			waitlisted or rejected at [SECOND	waitlisted or rejected at [SECOND	
			SCHOOL APPLIED TO]? (For schools that admit anyone who registers, answer	SCHOOL APPLIED TO]? For schools that admit anyone who registers, answer	
			"accepted.")	"accepted."	
			[FIRST SCHOOL APPLIED TO]	[FIRST SCHOOL APPLIED TO]	
			[SECOND SCHOOL APPLIED TO]	[SECOND SCHOOL APPLIED TO]	
			1=Accepted	1=Accepted	
			2=Waitlisted	2=Waitlisted	
			3=Rejected	3=Rejected	

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CUQUALIT	2012 Update	Revise	How important to [you/teenager] [were/was]	How important to [you/your teenager]	Item wording revised based
Y	Question 30	d	each of the following characteristics when	[were/was] each of the following	on feedback from TRP.
			choosing to attend [fall school]?	characteristics when choosing to attend	
			Academic quality or reputation	[Nov 1 school]?	Two new items added based
			Cost of attendance	Academic quality or reputation	on TRP recommendation:
			Close to home	Cost of attendance	Offers online courses,
			Far from home	Distance from home	Students there are like
			A good record of placing graduates in	A good reputation of placing students in	[you/him/her]
			jobs	jobs	
			A good record of placing graduates in	A good reputation of placing students in	
			graduate or professional schools	graduate or professional schools	
			A good record of placing graduates in 4-	A good reputation of placing students in	
			year Bachelor's degree programs	4-year Bachelor's degree programs	
			Opportunity to play sports	Opportunity to play sports	
			Recommended by family or friends or a	Recommended by family or friends or a	
			family member went there	family member went there	
			Offers a particular program of study	Offers a particular program of study	
			Good social life, sports team, or school	Good social life, sports team or school	
			spirit	spirit	
			1=Very important	Offers online courses	
			2=Somewhat important	Students there are like [you/him/her]	
			3=Not at all important	1=Very important	
			4=Don't know	2=Somewhat important	
				3=Not at all important	
				4=Don't know	
CUAPPFAFS	2012 Update	Revise	Did [you/teenager] or another family	Did [you/your teenager] or another family	"Free Application for Federal
А	Question 22	d	member complete a FAFSA (Free	member complete a FAFSA, that is the Free	Student Aid" removed from
			Application for Federal Student Aid) for	Application for Federal Student Aid, for	parentheses so it is read to
			[your/his/her] education?	[your/his/her] education?	and by all respondents.
			1=Yes	1=Yes	
			2=No	2=No	Added help text
			3=You don't know what a FAFSA is	3=You don't know what a FAFSA is	
			4=You don't know if [you/teenager] or	4=You don't know if [you/your	
			another family member completed a	teenager] or another family member	
			FAFSA	completed a FAFSA	

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2012 Update Question 23	Revise d	What are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?	What are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA? Would you say [you/her/she] did not complete a FAFSA	"Because" added to each item to emphasize that the question is asking if these are
		You or your family do not want to take on debt	because you or your family do not want to take on debt	reasons, not simply asking if these stand alone statements are true or false
		You or your family can afford school or college without financial aid	because you or your family can afford school or college without financial aid	Added help text
		You or your family thought [you/teenager] may be ineligible or may not qualify	because you or your family thought [you/your teenager] may be ineligible or may not qualify	
		You or your family did not have enough information about how to complete a FAFSA	because you or your family did not have enough information about how to complete a FAFSA	
		You or your family thought the FAFSA forms were too much work or too time-consuming	because you or your family thought the FAFSA forms were too much work or too time-consuming	
		You or your family did not know you could complete a FAFSA	because you or your family did not know you could complete a FAFSA	
		[You/teenager] [do/does] not plan to continue	because [you/your teenager] [do/does] not plan to continue	
		[your/his/her] education after high school 1=Yes	[your/his/her]education after high school 1=Yes	
	2012 Update	2012 Update Revise	2012 Update Question 23Revise dWhat are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?You or your family do not want to take on debtYou or your family do not want to take on debtYou or your family can afford school or college without financial aidYou or your family thought [you/teenager] may be ineligible or may not qualifyYou or your family did not have enough information about how to complete a FAFSAYou or your family thought the FAFSA forms were too much work or too time- consumingYou or your family did not know you could complete a FAFSAYou or your family did not know you could complete a FAFSA	2012 Update Question 23Revise dWhat are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?What are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?Question 23dWhat are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?What are the reasons [you/he/she] did not complete a FAFSA?Question 23You or your family do not want to take on debtYou or your family do not want to take on debtbecause you or your family do not want to take on debtYou or your family can afford school or college without financial aidbecause you or your family can afford school or college without financial aidYou or your family thought [you/teenager] may be ineligible or may not qualifybecause you or your family thought [you/your teenager] may be ineligible or may not qualifyYou or your family did not have enough information about how to complete a FAFSAbecause you or your family did not have enough information about how to 

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CUNOQUAL RSN	2012 Update Question 24	Revise d	Why did you think [you/teenager] would not qualify for FAFSA financial aid? Was it because another family member did not qualify? you have concerns about a credit score? your family's income is too high? [your/teenager's] grades or test scores are too low? [you/teenager] [[are/is] attending/would have attended] school or college part- time? other reason? (please specify) 1=Yes 0=No	Why did you think [you/your teenager] would not qualify for FAFSA financial aid? Was it because another family member did not qualify? because you have concerns about a credit score? because your family's income is too high? because [your/your teenager's] grades or test scores are too low? because [you/your teenager] [[is/are] attending/would have attended] school or college part-time? 1=Yes 0=No	"Because" added to each item to emphasize that the question is asking if these are reasons, not simply asking if these stand alone statements are true or false Added help text
CUAPPOTH AID	2012 Update Question 25	Dropp ed	Did [you/teenager] or another family member complete any other financial aid applications besides the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)? 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Dropped	Question is unclear.
CUCOSTFA LLCLG	2012 Update Question 28	Revise d	About how much is the total cost of [fall school] for the 2012-2013 school year? Include tuition and mandatory fees, room and board, and miscellaneous expenses.	About how much is the total cost of[ part- time] enrollment at [Nov 1 school] for the 2013 - 2014 school year before financial aid? Include tuition and mandatory fees[, room and board/, off campus housing expenses], and miscellaneous expenses.	Question customized to the student's enrollment intensity and housing situation. Question clarified to refer to sticker price before financial aid. Added help text

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CUFALLBO RROW/ CUFALLGR A NT	2012 Update Question 29	Revise d	Now, to pay for the 2012-2013 school year at [fall school], about how much are you and [your family/teenager] borrowing and about how much [are/is] [you/teenager] receiving in scholarships and grants that do not have to be repaid? Borrow in the 2012-2013 year Scholarships and grants in the 2012-2013 year	Now, to pay for the 2013 - 2014 school year at [Nov 1 school], about how much are you and [your family/your teenager] borrowing? For the 2013 - 2014 school year at [Nov 1 school], about how much are you and [your family/your teenager] receiving in scholarships and grants that do not have to be repaid?	Questions split into two for ease of administration and response. Added help text
CUAIDFALL CLG	2012 Update Question 26	Revise d	What kind of financial aid did [fall school] offer [you/him/her] for the first academic year, if any? Stafford loan Any other type of loan including private loans Work-study job Pell grant Any other type of scholarship or grant Other financial aid (please specify) [fall school] did not offer [you/teenager] financial aid 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	[Were/Was] [you/he/she] offered any of the following types of financial aid to attend [Nov 1 school] for the first academic year? Stafford loan or any other type of loan, including private loans Work-study job Pell grant or any other grant or scholarship Other financial aid 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Question broadened beyond aid that the college offered. Question wording revised so it does not assume financial aid was offered. Loan items combined into one for simplicity and accuracy of response in case respondents do not know what a Stafford loan is Scholarship/grant items combined into one for simplicity and accuracy of response in case respondents do not know what a Pell grant is Last item removed because it can be inferred from other responses and was extremely confusing to respondents Added help text

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CUCOSTCH OICE	2012 Update Question 28	Revise d	About how much is the total cost of [FIRST CHOICE AMONG ACCEPTED SCHOOLS] for the 2012-2013 school year? Include tuition and mandatory fees, room and board, and miscellaneous expenses.	About how much is the total cost of[ part- time] enrollment at [FIRST CHOICE AMONG ACCEPTED SCHOOLS] for the 2013 - 2014 school year before financial aid? Include tuition and mandatory fees, room and board or housing expenses as applicable, and miscellaneous expenses.	Question customized to the student's enrollment intensity. Question clarified to refer to sticker price before financial aid.
					Added help text
CUCHCBOR ROW/ CUCHCSCH OLAR	2012 Update Question 29	Dropp ed	Now, to pay for the 2012-2013 school year at [FIRST CHOICE AMONG ACCEPTED SCHOOLS], about how much would you and [your family/teenager] have borrowed and about how much would [you/teenager] have received in scholarships and grants that do not have to be repaid? Borrow in the 2012-2013 year Scholarships and grants in the 2012- 2013 year	Dropped	Deemed to be too hypothetical to be answered with accuracy.

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CUAIDCHOI CE	2012 Update Question 26	Revise d	What kind of financial aid did [FIRST CHOICE AMONG ACCEPTED SCHOOLS] offer [you/him/her] for the first academic year, if any? Stafford loan Any other type of loan including private loans Work-study job Pell grant Any other type of scholarship or grant Other financial aid (please specify) [first choice among accepted college] did not offer [you/teenager] financial aid 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	[Were/Was] [you/he/she] offered any of the following kinds of financial aid to attend [FIRST CHOICE AMONG ACCEPTED SCHOOLS] for the first academic year? Stafford loan or any other type of loan, including private loans Work-study job Pell grant or any other grant or scholarship Other financial aid 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	JustificationQuestion broadened beyond aid that the college offered.Question wording revised so it does not assume financial aid was offered.Loan items combined into one for simplicity and accuracy of response in case respondents do not know what a Stafford loan isScholarship/grant items combined into one for simplicity and accuracy of response in case respondents do not know what a Stafford loan isScholarship/grant items combined into one for simplicity and accuracy of response in case respondents do not know what a Pell grant isLast item removed because it can be inferred from other responses and was extremely confusing to respondentsAdded help text
CUAIDANY CLG	2012 Update Question 27	Dropp ed	[Apart from any aid offers from this school [were/was],/Apart from any aid offers from these schools, [were/was]/ [Were/Was] [you/teenager] offered any [other] forms of financial aid? Examples would be scholarships to attend a college within your state, a ROTC scholarship, or a grant that [you/he/she] received from [your/his/her] high school, a community group, or place of worship to attend the school of [your/his/her] choice. 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Dropped	TRP recommended eliminating this item because it will be accounted for in CUAIDFALLCLG and CUAIDCHOICE

CUYNOTAT		Status	Old Wording (if revised)	New Item Wording	Justification
COINCINI	2012 Update	Revise	Which of the following are reasons why	Which of the following are reasons why	Based on TRP
TEND	Question 32	d	[you/teenager] [are/is] not attending school	[you/your teenager] will not be attending	recommendation, the set of
			this fall? Would you say [you/he/she]	school as of November 1st? Would you say	items has been greatly
			[are/is] not attending school	[you/he/she] will not be attending school	reduced and simplified.
			because [you/he/she] [do/does] not like		
			school? because [you/he/she] didn't do well	because [you/he/she] [do/does] not want	
			enough in high school to get into or do	to go to school?	
			well in college?	because [you/he/she] did not get in? because [you/he/she] cannot afford to go	
			because [you/he/she] can't afford to go	to school?	
			on to school?	for other reasons?	
			because [you/he/she] [need/needs] to or	1=Yes	
			would rather work?	2=No	
			because [you/he/she] [were/was] not	3=Don't know	
			accepted at the school(s) where		
			[you/he/she] wanted to go?		
			because [you/he/she] [do/does] not want to attend the school(s) that accepted		
			[you/him/her]?		
			because [you/he/she] [are/is] deferring		
			enrollment?		
			because [you/he/she] didn't receive		
			enough financial aid?		
			for other reasons? (please specify)		
			1=Yes		
			2=No		
	CUNNOTAT	A 11 1	3=Don't know		
CUYNOTM AIN	CUYNOTAT TEND	Added	Not Asked	Which of these is the main reason? Would	Based on TRP recommendation, this follow-
AIN	IEND			you say 1= because [you/he/she] [do/does] not	up collects the main reason
				want to go to school?	and allows those who have an
				2= because [you/he/she] did not get in?	"other" main reason to report
				3= because [you/he/she] cannot afford	it here.
				to go to school?	
				4= because of another reason (please	
				specify)?	
CUJOBNOW	2012 Update	Revise	[Are/Is] [you/teenager] currently working	[Are/Is] [you/your teenager] currently	Added help text
	Question 33	d	for pay, not counting work around the	working for pay, not counting work around	
			house? Include apprenticeships. 1=Yes	the house? Include apprenticeships. 1=Yes	
			0=No	0=No	

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CUJOBEAR N	2012 Update Question 40	Revise d	How much [do/does] [you/teenager] earn before taxes are taken out? 1=hour 2=day 3=week 4=month 5=year	On this job, how much [do/does] [you/your teenager] currently earn before taxes are taken out? 1=hour 2=week	"On this job" added to clarify that we are referring to the job at which the teenager works the most hours. Added currently to clarify time point. Reduced set of unit options to the two chosen by the vast majority of respondents in the field test.
CUJOBHRS	HSLS First Follow-up S2HSJOBHR	Added	Not Asked	On this job, how many hours [do/does] [you/her/she] usually work per week?	Added to fill gap. Information is essential for those interested in work and career trajectories. Also, needed to standardize earnings reported in previous question.
CUJOBHRS CAT	Based on 2012 Update Question 14	Added	Not Asked	[Do/Does] [you/her/she] work full-time (35 hours or more per week) or part-time on this job (less than 35 hours per week)? 1=Full-time 2=Part-time 3=Don't know	Back up question for parents who do not know the precise number of hours.
CUAPPREN TSHP	2012 Update Question 36	Revise d	Is this a formal apprenticeship in which [you/he/she] [are/is] mastering occupational skills while working on the job? 1=Yes 0=No	Is this a formal apprenticeship in which [you/he/she] [receive/receives] both instruction and on-the-job training and [are/is] paid a training salary? 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Revisions from NATES questionnaire.
CULICENSE HRS	2012 Update Question 37	Dropp ed	On this job, [are/is] [you/he/she] accumulating hours needed for licensure in [your/his/her] occupational field? 1=Yes 2=No 3=Don't know	Dropped	Too infrequent to collect meaningful data at this time point. Also, panelists were concerned about the wording and misinterpretation.
CUJOBSTAR T	2012 Update Question 38	Revise d	Is this a job [you/he/she] started when [you/he/she] [were/was] in high school? 1=Yes 0=No	What month and year did [you/he/she] start this job?	Researchers interested in work and career trajectories want to know the duration of the employment.

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CUHOWGO TJOB	2012 Update Question 39	Revise d	Did [you/he/she] get this job through a high school-arranged program, such as an internship or co-op program? other assistance from [your/his/her] high school such as from a teacher or counselor? 1=Yes 0=No	Did [you/he/she] get this job with assistance from a school staff member or from a school-arranged program, such as an internship or co-op program? 1=Yes 0=No	Prevalence of these is low so they were combined. "Teacher or counselor" broadened to "school staff member." Added help text
CUOTHJOB NOW	Based on 2012 Update Question 33	Added	Not asked	[Are/Is] [you/your teenager] currently working any other jobs for pay, not counting work around the house? Include apprenticeships. 1=Yes 0=No	Panelists requested complete information on job earnings and hours for those who hold more than one job. Added help text
CUOTHJOB EARN	Based on 2012 Update question 40	Added	Not asked	About how much [do/does] [you/he/she] earn per week on all other jobs besides [CURRENT JOB]?	Panelists requested complete information on job earnings and hours for those who hold more than one job.
CUOTHJOB HRS	HSLS First Follow-up S2HSJOBHR	Added	Not asked	How many hours [do/does] [you/he/she] usually work per week on all other jobs?	Panelists requested complete information on job earnings and hours for those who hold more than one job.
CUOTHJOB FT	Based on 2012 Update Question 14	Added	Not asked	[Do/Does] [you/her/she] work 35 hours or more per week on all other jobs? 1=Yes 0=No	Panelists requested complete information on job earnings and hours for those who hold more than one job.
CUJOBPLA N	2012 Update Question 41	Revise d	[Do/Does] [you/teenager] plan to be working at this job on November 1st? 1=Yes 0=No	[Do/Does] [you/your teenager] plan to be working at this job as a [CURRENT JOB] on or around November 1st? 1=Yes 0=No	Inserted job title collected in CUCURRENTJOB to clarify.

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CUTEENSS N	HSLS First Follow-up Parent	Added	Not asked	Next we ask you to provide [your/your teenager's] social security number. [Your/His/Her] SSN will be used to help us find [you/him/her] for future follow-up. (The National Center for Education Statistics is required to follow strict procedures to protect the confidentiality of persons in the collection, reporting, and publication of data. All individually identifiable information supplied by individuals or institutions to a federal agency may be used for statistical purposes only and may not be disclosed, or used, in identifiable form for any other purpose except as required by law (Public Law 107- 279, Section 183). However, giving us your Social Security number is completely voluntary and there is no penalty for not disclosing it.)	Needed for future locating efforts. Will only be asked of teenager respondents if a valid SSN has not been collected previously.
				What is [your/your teenager's] SSN?	

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CUPARSSN	HSLS First Follow-up Parent	Added	Not Asked	Next we ask you to provide your social security number. Your SSN will be used to help us find your teenager for future follow- up.(The National Center for Education Statistics is required to follow strict procedures to protect the confidentiality of persons in the collection, reporting, and 	Needed for future locating efforts. Will only be asked if a valid SSN has not been collected previously.
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